Appendix III.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 29.**

Statement of Head Constables and Constables appointed by the Inspector- General of Police.

Caste.	Head Constables. (30)			Constables (424)			
	I.	II.	III.	Naiks.	Lance Naiks.	2nd Class.	4th Class.
I. *Hindus.*							
Brahmins ...	...	...	...	..	...	...	2
Nairs ...	1	3	11	6	3	...	171
Kammalas ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Nadar ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ezhavas ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Other Hindus ...	...	..	8	7	...	50	47
II. *Christians*							
Jacobite ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Syrian Catholic ...	...	...	...	...	...	....	10
Latin Catholics..	...	..	4	1	2	4	15
Marthomite ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
S. I. U. C. ...		...	...	...	...	1	12
Other Christians ...	...	...	2	...	...	3	28
III. *Muslims* ...	...	...	1	1	...	3	35
Total ...	1	3	26	15	5	61	343

MR. N. NARAYANA KURUP (*Ambalapuzha* cum *Cherlala*): Sir, on a point of information. The rule is that Cut motions in respect of Demands should be placed in the office of the Secretary before two clear days before the discussions. Cut motions in regard to the Land Revenue Budget was placed in the office of the Secretary on Sunday, two clear days before wednesday when the discussion on that Demand comes up. But such cut motions are not included in the list I wish to know whether such non inclusion is in order.

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PRESIDENT: What has happened, Mr. Secretary?

SECRETARY: Under standing order 10, Sundays and other public holidays are to be excluded in the calcula ion Therefore all Cut Motions on the Land Revenue Demand should have reached the office of the Secretary before 3 P. M. on Saturday. The Cut Motions referred to by the Honourable Member were received only after that t me and hence not included in the printed list.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: Sir, something like a riot is reported to have taken place in the Central Prison yesterday as a result of which one of the injured has been taken over to the General Hospital. I pray that the House be enlightened on that incident.

PRESIDENT: The matter has been anticipated and a statement has been prepared. It will be placed before the House by the Chief Secretary.

STATEMENT RE: THE DISTURBANCES IN THE CENTRAL PRISON.

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It is understood that a few days ago the authorities of the Central Prison detected some cases of smuggling into the Jail premises of contraband articles like beedies, tobacco, arecanuts and so on. Two convict warders had in their possession these articles which were discovered on successive days. It also came to light a couple of days ago that with the connivance of a warder and another convict warder, arecanuts, betels and other articles were concealed in their waist clothes and smuggled into the prison. When these instances were discovered, the warders were punished and some of the prisoners who were benefited by the smuggling appear to have made common cause with them and on Monday when a prisoners' parade took place as usual, they gathered together and began to demonstrate and shout slogans like *Inquilab Zindabad* (Long Live Revolution). In this demonstration some of the prisoners convicted of sedition and other cognate offences also took part.

As the situation was getting tense, the Superintendent of the Central Prison te'ephoned to the Police authorities who despatched a small force of 20 Armed Reserves. The Inspector General and the District Magistrate also proceeded to the Jail and the latter held an elaborate enquiry at which it was made clear that the demonstration had been premeditated.

The death of a convict who had been suffering from pleurisy and had been discharged from the hospital very recently was made the occasion for demonstration. The suggestion was made that the death was due to man-handling by some of the jail authorities. This was not established but in order to get at the truth, a case has been registered and the enquiry is proceeding.

After the advice of the District Magistrate to the prisoners, they took their morning kanji which they had earlier declined. The situation has become normal and the authorities are considering ways and

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